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For : High-Capacity Nanostructured Germanium-Containing Materials

and Lithium Alloys Thereof

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows. This response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

**Appendix A** follows page 21 of this paper.